

Background Briefing State Workforce Investment Board

Governor's Office of Workforce Development February 20, 2006

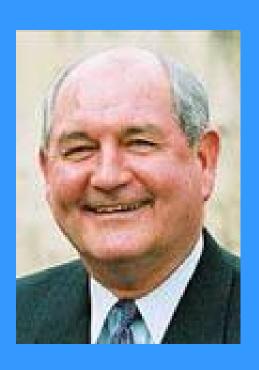




Overview of Presentation

- Governor's Vision
- Commission for a New Georgia
 - Workforce Development Task Force
- Governor's Guide to Creating a 21st Century Workforce
- Workforce Investment Act 1998
- Feb 2 Executive Order
- Next Steps





"Statewide effort to generate a workforce that will be a magnet for jobs for Georgians in the 21st Century"

> Governor Sonny Perdue State Unified Plan – May , 2005



- Requires the Governor as state's CEO to lead effort
- Mandates participation of the highest state officials in areas critical to Workforce Development System
- Engages strong representation from private sector partners



"We need a workforce development system that <u>links</u> workforce development and education together and to the economic needs of the state, its regions and local communities"

Governor Sonny Perdue February 20, 2006





'Workforce' encompasses the entire spectrum of state's human resource base for employment -

from entry level, low skilled labor to professional and high tech fields requiring advanced degrees and training



Commission For A New Georgia



Workforce Development Task Force
Conducted a situational analysis to
determine the current state of Georgia's
workforce

Findings:

Georgia has a workforce development system with resources and talent but two critical pieces missing:





Workforce Development Task Force Findings:

Missing Pieces:

- An <u>ALIGNMENT</u> of that system to integrate and leverage <u>ALL</u> workforce development resources from both the public and private sectors
- An <u>ALIGNMENT</u> and <u>PARTNERSHIP</u>
 between workforce development and all levels of education including continuing education



Workforce Development Task Force Recommendations:

- Establish a <u>private</u>, <u>non-profit workforce</u> <u>development corporation</u> and staff accountable for the success of Georgia's workforce development efforts.
- Aggregate or create a set of <u>processes and</u> <u>technology solutions</u> that enables the success of the WFD system objectives.
- Support and enable the **Georgia Education Community's** (P-16) efforts to consistently generate or retrain the number of potential workers with skills employers need.



Workforce Development Task Force Recommendations:

- Improve the existing WFD system to make it more <u>dynamic</u>, <u>resilient</u>, <u>and able to drive</u> and sustain future economic growth.
- Implement an effective <u>communications plan</u> to ensure that all employers (current and potential) and citizens understand, can use and embrace the WFD system.



Commission for a New Georgia Workforce Development Task Force

Commission for a New Georgia WFD Task Force Executive Summary provides recommendation details and implementation action items

Full report available on CNG website: http://www.newgeorgia.org/taskforces/workforcedev.shtml



Governor's Guide to Creating a 21st Century Workforce



National Assessment of State of Workforce

- Barriers:
 - Many states workforce systems do not reflect market needs
 - Public education is falling short in preparing individuals for the new economy
 - Workers must navigate a more uncertain career path





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- Barriers
 - Many low-wage workers need work supports to advance
 - Effective governance and accountability structures are missing



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- Recommendations:
 - Connect Workforce Development to Economic Needs of the State
 - Build a Stronger Education Pipeline to Produce Trainable Graduates
 - Expand Incentives for Continuous Learning



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- Recommendations:
 - Enhance Worker's Ability to Manage Their Careers
 - Strengthen Work Supports to PromoteEmployment Retention and CareerAdvancement
 - Strengthen Governance and Accountability in the Workforce System



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Details describing barriers and recommendations are contained in full report available on NGA website:

www.nga.org/cda/files/AM02WORKFORCE.pdf







Purpose:

To consolidate, coordinate and improve employment, training, literacy and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States and for other purposes



State Workforce Investment Board

In general, the Governor of a State shall establish a State Workforce Investment Board to assist in the development of the State plan ...and to carry out other (approved workforce development related) functions ...



- Requires that all States submit a five year strategic plan bi-annually for statewide workforce investment systems
- Plan must meet the requirements specified in legislation and be approved to receive Federal grant
- Plan can exceed minimum requirements



Current status of Georgia's Five Year State Plan:

- Submitted May 31, 2005 and subsequently approved by US DOL
- Process to modify as needed
- Available on GDOL website:www.dol.state.ga.us/pdf/wia/py05wiaplan.pdf





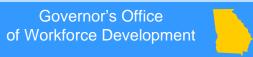
Ordered that the State Workforce
Investment Board be reconstituted with a mission to assist the Governor in creating an 'integrated statewide strategic plan for Workforce
Development which <u>links</u> workforce policies and education programs to the economic needs of the state, its regions and its communities'



The Governor and Board develop the statewide strategic plan based on:

- a shared vision
- guiding principles and goals
- coordinated policies
- partnerships
- defined priorities

that support measurable and meaningful outcomes





- State WIB Membership:
 - Coordinating Council
 - Governor and Chief Executives of Lead State Agencies in Workforce Development System
 - Appointed by Governor:
 - ■Twenty additional members from business community
 - 2 Municipal Elected Officials, 2 County Elected Officials
 - ■1 Representative from Youth Organization, 1 Representative Delivery Organization
 - ■1 Representative from Labor





- Appointed by Speaker of House
 - 2 members Georgia House of Representatives
- Appointed by President Pro Tempore
- of the Senate
 - 2 members of Georgia Senate
- Total Board Membership: 42



The State Workforce Investment Board may be asked to assist the Governor in ensuring compliance with statutory requirements of Workforce Investment Act'



Further Ordered:

That all departments, institutions, agencies, commissions, councils, authorities, boards, bureaus or other entities of the State are authorized and directed to provide all information and support as required by the Board to perform its duties.



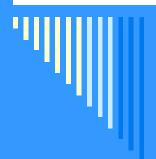
That the State agency heads named to serve on the Board will be *personally engaged* in the planning, coordination, and implementation of an integrated statewide workforce development system aligned with strategic objectives



Members shall serve for a period of three years or at the pleasure of the official who appointed such member.



That a 501(c)3 corporation be established for the purpose of accepting funds from donors to support Workforce
Development initiatives; and that the Board of Directors, which may be drawn from the membership of the State Board, be appointed by the Governor.



That the Workforce Investment Board consider organizing task forces as subcommittees to address topics such as communication and coordination, strategic forecasting and research, educational partnerships and other specific topics essential to a (strategic) statewide plan.



Next Steps

- Website for Governor's Office of Workforce Development and WIB
- Next Meeting Date
 - 'Jump Start' Meeting
 - 2006 Schedule for Board Meetings
- Meeting Logistics
- Information Packets
 - Resource references
 - Travel expense reimbursement